

Office of Recovery Update ---- 9/6/20 - 9/14/20

County Spending Reports are now available.



You can view your county's spending report at https://covid.ks.gov/countyspendingreports/

Spending reports for each county are now available to view on our website. These summaries provide an overview of how each county is utilizing the dollars received through the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF). Earlier this year, the SPARK Executive Committee and State Finance Council approved \$400 million total of the CRF to be distributed for counties. The portion counties received was based on their population with some additional dollars being awarded to counties with high numbers of COVID-19 cases or high unemployment rates. Counties were encouraged to collaborate with their cities, schools, health care centers and businesses to invest these dollars to best serve their health and economic recoveries.

PPE Program now available to help Kansas businesses safely remain open during pandemic.

Recognizing the existing challenges of businesses to remain open to serve their customers as well as the likelihood of continued acquisition difficulties, the State of Kansas and the Kansas Division of Emergency Management has developed a Business PPE Stopgap program for businesses experiencing delivery delays of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).



Businesses that have ordered PPE, but are experiencing a backorder or delayed delivery date on their purchase may access this program and expect delivery of items, if available, within a few days. The PPE will be shipped from the state inventory at no cost to eligible businesses. Items that are supported through this program are masks and face shields, with gowns and coveralls available to healthcare related businesses.

Requirements include being in good standing with the Kansas Department of Revenue and proof of the PPE backorder or delayed delivery.

Business PPE Stopgap Application: kdem.kansasgis.org/businessPPE

SPARK Taskforce learns more about Round 3 proposals and approaches.

The Office of Recovery held another joint meeting of the SPARK Executive & Steering Committees on September 2. They discussed progress we have made through our first 100 days, as well as possible Round 3 investment approaches and state agency proposals. The Executive Committee recommended sending some round 3 investments to the State Finance Council (SFC) for consideration. Due to an already full agenda for last week's meeting, SPARK recommendations were not on the SFC agenda. With only 107 days remaining to spend the Coronavirus Relief Funds, the SPARK taskforce will meet this Wednesday to discuss if there are additional investment recommendations that should also move forward, and the Executive Committee will have the opportunity to fine tune all the recommendations.

Upcoming SPARK Taskforce Meetings:

Sept. 16 at 9 am.

SPARK Executive & Steering Committee

Meeting will be live-streamed on Governor Kelly's YouTube Channel

State Finance Council is expected to meet later this week.

All SPARK meetings are live-streamed on Governor Kelly's YouTube channel.

Please note the 2 new Federal Guidance documents updated on our website:

Coronavirus Relief Fund Frequently Asked Questions

Coronavirus Relief Fund Guidance for State, Territorial, Local, and Tribal Governments

Click here to view these documents on our website.

Thank you for your interest in our State's recovery efforts.

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